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**New York City Poll
August 19-28, 2013**

**Registered voter N = 1,162
Likely Democratic voter N = 505**

An asterisk indicates registered respondents. "DEM LV" indicates likely Democratic voters. Trends are based on New York Times Polls except: New York Times/CBS News Polls: Oct. 1998 - Oct. 2000, Sept. 2006, Aug. 2011, New York Times/Cornell University/NY1 Jun. 2009 and New York Times/Siena College July 2013.

What borough in New York City do you NOW live in?

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Refused
8/19-28/13*	15	29	21	29	5	-

Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you registered to vote in the election district where you now live, or aren't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
8/19-28/13	70	29	1

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Michael Bloomberg is handling his job as Mayor?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
6/4-9/02	48	26	26
8/25-29/02	47	31	22
10/12-16/02	47	41	12
1/11-15/03	31	53	16
6/6-11/03	24	65	11
7/13-27/03	25	67	8
8/31-9/4/03	32	57	11
4/16-21/04	38	46	16
8/20-25/04	40	49	11
2/4-13/05	43	45	12
6/21-26/05	50	35	15
8/22-28/05	59	31	11
10/21-26/05	67	23	10
8/23-27/06	63	22	15
6/6-11/08	67	28	5
5/29-6/3/09	60	34	6
8/27-31/10	59	29	12
10/26-28/10	54	30	16
8/9-15/11	45	43	13
8/10-15/12	48	39	13
7/9-15/13	49	36	15
8/2-7/13	49	40	11
8/19-28/13*	44	44	11
DEM LV	47	48	5

2. Do you feel things in New York City are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right direction	Wrong track	DK/NA
10/21-26/05	63	28	8
6/6-11/08	37	56	7
8/9-15/11	36	54	10
7/9-15/13*	51	41	8
8/19-28/13*	45	46	9
DEM LV	46	47	7

Are you registered in a specific party? IF YES, ASK: What party are you registered in -- the Republican party, the Democratic party, the Conservative party, the Working Families party, Independence party, Green party, or something else?

8/19-28/13*

Republican	12
Democratic	56
Conservative	1
Working families	-
Independence party	5
Green party	-
Other	1
Not registered in a party	20
DK/NA	5

How likely is it that you will vote in the Democratic primary for Mayor on September 10th? Would you say you are almost certain to vote, very likely to vote, somewhat likely to vote, not very likely to vote, or not at all likely to vote?

	Almost certain	Very likely	Somewhat likely	Not very likely	Not at all likely	DK/NA
8/19-28/13* DEM	59	22	12	3	4	1

7A. Is your opinion of Bill de Blasio favorable, not favorable, or haven't you heard enough about Bill de Blasio yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	57	17	25	1

7B. Is your opinion of John Liu favorable, not favorable, or haven't you heard enough about John Liu yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	29	37	32	2

7C. Is your opinion of Christine Quinn favorable, not favorable, or haven't you heard enough about Christine Quinn yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	39	45	15	1

7D. Is your opinion of Bill Thompson favorable, not favorable, or haven't you heard enough about Bill Thompson yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	53	16	30	1

7E. Is your opinion of Anthony Weiner favorable, not favorable, or haven't you heard enough about Anthony Weiner yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	24	66	8	2

7F. Is your opinion of Eliot Spitzer favorable, not favorable, or haven't you heard enough about Eliot Spitzer yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	46	41	11	2

7G. Is your opinion of Scott Stringer favorable, not favorable, or haven't you heard enough about Scott Stringer yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	31	19	49	1

8. If the Democratic primary for New York City Mayor were being held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: Sal Albanese, Randy Credico, Neil Grimaldi, Bill de Blasio, John Liu, Christine Quinn, Erick Salgado, Bill Thompson or Anthony Weiner?

CANDIDATE NAMES AND ANSWER CODES ROTATED

	8/19-28/13 DEM LV
Albanese	1
Credico	-
de Blasio	32
Grimaldi	-
Liu	3
Quinn	17
Salgado	1
Thompson	18
Weiner	11
Other (vol.)	-
Won't vote (vol.)	-
DK/NA	16

9. How likely would you say you are to vote for (CANDIDATE NAME)? Are you: 1. Absolutely certain -- there's no chance I will change my mind; 2. Fairly certain -- it is unlikely I will change my mind; 3. Not very certain -- I very well may change my mind or 4. Not certain at all -- there's a good chance I will change my mind.

	Absolutely certain	Fairly certain	Not very certain	Not certain at all
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	37	42	18	3

10. If the Democratic primary for New York City Comptroller were being held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: Eliot Spitzer or Scott Stringer?
CANDIDATE NAMES AND ANSWER CODES ROTATED

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

Spitzer	50
Stringer	35
Other (vol.)	-
Won't vote (vol.)	2
DK/NA	13

11. How likely would you say you are to vote for (CANDIDATE NAME)? Are you: 1. Absolutely certain -- there's no chance I will change my mind; 2. Fairly certain -- it is unlikely I will change my mind; 3. Not very certain -- I very well may change my mind or 4. Not certain at all - there's a good chance I will change my mind.

	Absolutely certain	Fairly certain	Not very certain	Not certain at all	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	53	33	9	5	1
Spitzer voters	53	35	7	4	-
Stringer voters	54	29	11	5	1

12A-12G. Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City - Bill de Blasio, John Liu, Christine Quinn, Bill Thompson, or Anthony Weiner?

12A. **Working with the police to keep New Yorkers safe...** [IF NEEDED: Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City?]

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

de Blasio	26
Liu	5
Quinn	20
Thompson	19
Weiner	12
Other (vol.)	1
DK/NA	18

12B. **Improving public education...** [IF NEEDED: Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City?]

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

de Blasio	24
Liu	6
Quinn	18
Thompson	27
Weiner	11
Other (vol.)	-
DK/NA	13

12C. **Creating jobs...** [IF NEEDED: Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City?]

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

de Blasio	25
Liu	5
Quinn	19
Thompson	16
Weiner	15
Other (vol.)	-
DK/NA	20

12D. **Making the city more affordable...** [IF NEEDED: Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City?]

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

de Blasio	29
Liu	6
Quinn	15
Thompson	19
Weiner	13
Other (vol.)	1
DK/NA	17

12E. **Negotiating union contracts...** [IF NEEDED: Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City?]

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

de Blasio	22
Liu	8
Quinn	16
Thompson	22
Weiner	15
Other (vol.)	1
DK/NA	17

12F. **Managing the city's finances...** [IF NEEDED: Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City?]

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

de Blasio	20
Liu	14
Quinn	18
Thompson	20
Weiner	12
Other (vol.)	-
DK/NA	16

12G. **Addressing the housing needs of New Yorkers...** [IF NEEDED: Regardless of who you may support, which of the following mayoral candidates do you think would do the best job on each of the following issues facing New York City?]

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

de Blasio	30
Liu	4
Quinn	16
Thompson	18
Weiner	13
Other (vol.)	-
DK/NA	19

13. In deciding how you will vote for Mayor this year, which ONE of the following issues will be most important to you?

8/19-28/13

DEM LV

Education	23
The city's finances	13
Housing	13
Crime	17
Jobs and unemployment	27
Something else (vol.)	5
DK/NA	3

14. As you may know, the two-term limit for city officials, including the mayor and city council members, was changed in 2008 to allow them to serve three terms. Do you think that extension of term limits in 2008 was a good idea or a bad idea?

	Good idea	Bad idea	Neither good nor bad (vol.)	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	30	61	4	5
DEM LV	27	68	3	2

15. As you may know, stop and frisk is a police procedure where a police officer detains and searches an individual to determine if the person is carrying a concealed weapon. Do you think stop and frisk is excessive and innocent people are being harassed OR do you think stop and frisk is an acceptable way to make New York City safer?

	Excessive	Acceptable	DK/NA
7/9-15/13*	50	45	5
8/19-28/13*	48	44	8
DEM LV	59	36	5

16. A great deal of attention across the country has focused on two New York City candidates - Eliot Spitzer and Anthony Weiner - who are both seeking political comebacks after having resigned from office due to personal scandals. Which of the following comes closer to how you feel about these two New York City politicians attracting this type of national attention - 1. It's entertaining, 2. It's no big deal, or 3. It's embarrassing?

	Entertaining	No big deal	Embarrassing	Comb. (vol)	Other (vol.)	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	9	28	54	3	2	4
DEM LV	9	30	53	3	2	3

17. [If answered "It's embarrassing" in Q16]: Which of the two politicians' receiving this type of national attention embarrasses you more - Eliot Spitzer or Anthony Weiner?

	Eliot Spitzer	Anthony Weiner	Both (vol.)	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	14	64	19	4
DEM LV	14	74	11	2

Are you gay, lesbian or bisexual?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	9	88	4

Are you the parent or guardian of a child under 18 that lives with you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	31	68	1

Are your children currently enrolled in public school, or private school, or parochial school? **AMONG PARENTS**

	8/19-28/13*
Public	50
Private	20
Parochial	8
Public & other	3
Home schooled	1
Charter school	2
Not school age	14
Other (Vol.)	2
DK/NA	1

Are you or any other member of your household - that is, any other adult living in your home or apartment - a member of a labor union? IF YES, ASK: Is that person you or someone else?

	Yes, respondent or respondent & someone else	Yes, someone else in household	No, no one	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	24	10	64	1

How much will your vote for Mayor be based on your union's endorsement of a candidate - a lot, some, not much or not at all? **AMONG UNION MEMBERS**

	A lot	Some	Not much	Not at all	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	23	17	11	49	-

26. Have you been contacted on behalf of any of the Democratic mayoral candidates over the past couple of weeks, whether it was by a letter, by e-mail, by telephone, or in person?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	56	42	2

26A. IF YES: Which Democratic Mayoral candidate? [More than one can apply]

	8/19-28/13 DEM LV
Albanese	5
Credico	3
de Blasio	26
Grimaldi	2
Liu	16
Quinn	27
Salgado	4
Thompson	26
Weiner	14
Other (vol.)	2
DK/NA	10

27. Have you been contacted in the past several weeks by any group or organization asking you to vote AGAINST a specific Democratic candidate for mayor, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
8/19-28/13 DEM LV	8	90	2

28. Have you seen any commercials on television for any of the following Democratic mayoral candidates or not - Bill de Blasio, John Liu, Christine Quinn, Bill Thompson Anthony Weiner?

	8/19-28/13 DEM LV		
	Yes	No	DK/NA
de Blasio	76	20	4
Liu	45	49	6
Quinn	78	20	3
Thompson	70	27	3
Weiner	80	18	3

Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, a Liberal, a Conservative, or what?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Liberal	Conservative	Other	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	9	49	17	8	6	4	7

How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally do you think of yourself as liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	31	36	23	10

What is your religious preference today?

	Catholic	Jewish	Protestant	Muslim	Other	No affiliation	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	29	14	24	3	5	20	5

What was the last grade in school you completed?

	Grade school	High school	Some college or trade school	Bachelor's degree	Grad or professional degree	Refused
8/19-28/13*	3	20	26	25	25	2

In what year were you born?

	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Refused
8/19-28/13*	16	23	36	17	9

Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, such as Mexican, Dominican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
8/19-28/13*	24	71	5

Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

	White	Black	Asian	Other	Refused
8/19-28/13*	48	26	7	9	10

Which of the following general income categories is your total household income before taxes?

	Under 15,000	\$15,000 -29,999	\$30,000 -49,999	\$50,000 -74,999	\$75,000 -99,999	\$100- 249,999	\$250K or more	Refused
8/19-28/13*	9	11	15	13	10	16	5	21

	Male	Female
8/19-28/13*	47	53